

**Solutions for Assistive Technology
Pre-Conference Sessions
Wednesday, April 28, 2010**

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**Morning Sessions
8:30 am – 11:30 am**

PC-1: Azalea

Smilebox + Video Modeling = a new innovative way to teach!

Presenters: Lauren Pharr, OT; Debbie Frederick, ST; Vickie Bergeron, ST, Evangeline Parish

Smilebox + Video Modeling = a new innovative way to teach will be a hands-on training session on how to access/utilize a FREE on-line scrapbook website for educational purposes.

Smilebox® is an on-line photo service that lets you quickly turn life's moments into digital creations to share with others or save for yourself. With Smilebox, you can create animated scrapbooks, photobooks, slideshows, postcards, and ecards for any occasion, and email them to anyone. Through the use of the website www.smilebox.com you can create innovative teaching tools utilizing video modeling techniques to achieve IEP goals relating to pre-writing/fine motor skills, oral-motor skills, receptive and expressive communication skills, and socialization skills.

PC-2: Magnolia

If They Can Think It, They Can Write It Co:Writer 6!

Presenter: Jason Burk, Don Johnston, Inc.

Almost two decades ago, Co:Writer revolutionized the way students with disabilities wrote by introducing them to \"word prediction.\" We are poised to do it again, with Co:Writer 6~the most exciting version yet, taking word prediction simplicity and transparency to whole new level. If students can Think It, they can Write It!

PC-3: Camelia

Intellitools Masters Workshop

Presenter: Dee Garcia, Suzanne Feit – Cambium Learning

Finally what you seasoned IntelliTools users have been asking for. This will be a Masters workshop on Creating and customizing lessons for your students. Down loading from the activity exchange and modifying an activity. Creating an overlay for your activity. Using your intellikeys and IntelliSwitch in your classroom.

PC-4: Beauregard

Hands On With Mastering Microsoft Word – Can it do More?

Presenter: Scott Marfilus, AT Consultant & Kelly Fonner, Fonner Consulting

This session will go in-depth into Microsoft Word, a word processing software program, to show you how to utilize its capabilities to the fullest. This program is widely used in both educational and work settings. See how you can use it to create forms or fill in the blank quizzes. Learn some tricks in how to quickly correct spelling instead of always running the spell check. Learn to add items in the auto correct window and how to use that for abbreviation expansion. Learn to use the auto summarize feature to assist students with their reading passages. Find out how to make the Mac version of Word speak any highlighted text. See how the annotation feature can be used to provide support in a reading passage. Discover the power of highlighting and changing background color and how to use it to create schedules and other visual supports. Can it do more? Come and find out.

Participants will need to bring their own laptop with Microsoft Word already installed.

11:30 am – 1:00 pm - Lunch on You Own

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Afternoon Sessions
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

PC-5: Azalea

My Smart Advances in the Creation of Static Display Communication Page Sets - Presenter: Allison Yates, Vermilion Parish

This hands-on training will feature Overlay Designer Pro software and hardware as well as the Smart series of static communication devices. Participants will learn how to create overlays, burn sound recording, and use Smart Series devices. Discover how this powerful combination is changing the face of static display communication.

PC-6: Magnolia

Kurzweil 3000: Unplugged

Presenter: Missy Tatum, Kurzweil/Audio Optical Systems

In this hands-on session, participants will have an opportunity to explore Kurzweil 3000's reading, writing, study skills, test-taking features, and more. We will explore scanning and virtual printing, as well as editing of documents. Participants are encouraged to bring their own curriculum materials on a jump drive for make-and-take, however, it,s not required. This session will be appropriate for all user levels.

PC-7: Camelia

Extending Clicker 5

Presenter: Byron Wilkes – Learning Magic, Inc.

This session will examine four Learning Magic products which provide finished activities and templates that extend Clicker 5's base offerings. The Learning Magic Products are \"The Wonders and Magic of Nature\", \"Cause & Effect Puzzles\", The Suitcase Series for Clicker 5 and Dakota's Adventures.

PC-8: Beauregard

Graduation and Employment for AAC Users

Presenter: Gaylon Ponder – Words Plus

Looking forward and preparing for graduation from High School. Building job skills using AT and matching student skills with available jobs. Helping the VR counselor help you. Bring your students, parents and teachers to this one. We will evaluate access methods and identify job interests in this workshop